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TITLE OF INVENTION

## METHOD FOR REMOVAL OF PERMEATE GASES FROM A FLEXIBLE TUBULAR PIPE AND PIPE EMBODIED FOR CARRYING OUT THE SAME

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- 1. [X] This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- 2. [ ] This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- 3. [X] This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
- 4. [X] The US has been elected (Article 31).
- 5. [X] A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. [ ] is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. [X] has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. [ ] is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
- 6. [X] An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
  - a. [X] is attached hereto.
  - b. [ ] has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- 7. [ ] Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a. [ ] are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. [ ] have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. [ ] have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. [ ] have not been made and will not be made.
- 8. [ ] An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
- 9. [X] An <u>Unexecuted</u> oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
- 10. [ ] An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

#### Items 11 to 20 below concern other document(s) or information included:

- 11. [ ] An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
- 12. [ ] An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
- 13. [X] A preliminary amendment.
- 14. [ ] An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76
- 15. [ ] A substitute specification.
- 16. [ ] A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
- 17. [ ] A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1825
- 18. [ ] A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).

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19. [ ] A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).

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U.S. APPLICATION OF OF THE STATE OF THE STAT INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER PCT/FR2004/002101 P/3255-96 20. [X] 2 Sheet of Drawings; EFS Form: postcard; Copy of 1st page of publication; International Search Report, PTO-1449 with 3 References. The following fees have been submitted CALCULATION PTO USE ONLY 21. [X] Basic national fee (37 CFR 1.492(a))......\$300 \$300.00 22. [X] Examination fee (37 CFR 1.492(c)) \$200.00 If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the international preliminary Examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)......**\$0** All other situations......\$200 23. [X] Search fee (37 CFR 1.492(b)) \$400.00 If the written opinion of the ISA/US or the international preliminary examination Report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)......**\$0** Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority.....\$100 International Search Report prepared by an ISA other than the US and provided to the Office or previously communicated to the US by the IB......\$400 All other situations......\$500 \$900.00 TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 =Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets \$ (excluding sequence listing in compliance with 37 CFR 1.821(c) or (e) or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof. Total Sheets Extra sheets Number of each additional 50 or **RATE** fraction thereof (round up to a whole number) x \$250 \$ Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing any of the search fee, examination fee, or the oath or \$ declaration after the date of commencement of the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(h)). NUMBER FILED **CLAIMS** NUMBER EXTRA **RATE** \$ \$ **Total Claims** 10 - 20 =x \$ 50 **Independent Claims** 2 - 3 =x \$200 \$ MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) + \$360\$ TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = \$ [ ] Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2. SUBTOTAL = \$900.00

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